GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LABOUR
LOK SABHA

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REGULARISATION OF SERVICES
BASUDEB ACHARIA

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether directions have been issued by the Union Government to allthe Ministers, State Governments, PSUs,Banks, Financial Institutions and other Government organisations to regularise the services of contract labourers on permanent basis engaged in sweeping, cleaning, dusting and watching of office permises in the light of the Hon`ble Supreme Court`s judgment dated the 6th December, 1996;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the total number of contract labourers regularised on permanent basis so far in Public Sector Undertakings in the light of Supreme Court judgment?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MUNI LALL)

(a) to (c): The judgement of the Hon`ble Supreme Court dated 6.12.96 in the case of Air India Statutory Corporation Vs. United Labour Union and Others is the established law under Article 141 of the Constitution. It was published in 1997 LLR 288 and AIR 1997 SC 645. The implications of the judgement were examined in consultation with the Ministry of Law, Justice and Company Affairs (Department of Legal Affairs) and directions were issued to the enforcement agency of the Ministry of Labour to strictly implement the judgement in letter and spirit.

The information about the regularised contract workers by different ministries, departments etc., is not maintained centrally. However, as per available reports, 2978 workers have been regularised in two major Central Public Sector Undertakings.